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MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICE FOR SOYABEAN
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Commission for Agriculture Cost and Prices considers the MinimumSupport Price proposed by the Madhya Pradesh Government for soyabean;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government will announce the Support Price for soyabeanin accordance with the proposal given by the State Government during 2001-02 and also in the coming years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): While recommending the minimum support prices (uniform throughout the country) for various agricultural commodities including soyabean (black & yellow), the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) takes in to account a number of factors like cost of cultivation, demand and supply, input and output prices, the terms of trade for agriculture, inter-crop parity in prices, international prices, etc., and the information elicited through additional Questionnaires from the State Governments and other interest groups on various issues related to the above aspects. The views of the government of Madhya Pradesh have also been taken in to consideration.

(b)&(c): The Government fixed the MSPs of Kharif crops including soyabean for the2001-02 season. The MSP fixed for soyabean (black) is Rs.795 per quintal and for soyabean (yellow) is Rs.885 per quintal. The MSPs have been fixed after taking intoaccount the recommendations of the CACP, views of State Governments including thoseof Madhya Pradesh and concerned central ministries as well as such other relevant factors, which are considered important for fixation of support prices.